

## NEW GOODS

Ex S.S. "Borneo".  
CHRISTY'S FELT HATS,  
WASHING SCARVES,  
PEARLS' SOAPS, etc.  
COTTAM & Co.  
OUTFITTERS.

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THIRTY DOLLARS  
PER ANNUM.

## Banks.

**THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.**  
AUTHORISED CAPITAL ..... £1,000,000  
SUBSCRIBED ..... £1,185,000  
PAID-UP ..... £668,500

**BANKERS:**  
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT  
ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent.  
per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—  
For 12 Months ..... 4 per cent.  
" 6 " ..... 3 " "  
" 3 " ..... 2 " "

**J. W. R. TAYLOR,**  
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 7th July, 1895. [8]

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION.**  
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... \$10,000,000  
RESERVE FUND ..... \$5,750,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS ..... \$10,000,000

**COURT OF DIRECTORS:**  
A. McCONACHIE, Esq.—Chairman.  
ST. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.  
Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving, Esq.  
G. B. Dodwell, Esq.  
M. D. Esakiel, Esq.  
R. M. Gray, Esq.  
N. A. Sloba, Esq.

**CHIEF MANAGER:**  
Hongkong—T. JACKSON, Esq.  
Shanghai—J. P. WARD GARDNER, Esq.  
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY  
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED  
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.  
per annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:  
For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per annum.  
For 6 months, 3½ per cent. per annum.  
For 12 months, 4½ per cent. per annum.

**T. JACKSON,**  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. [31]

**HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.**  
THE Business of the above Bank is conducted  
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be  
obtained on application.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS is allowed at 3½ PER  
CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option  
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND  
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED  
DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
BANKING CORPORATION,  
**T. JACKSON,**  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [32]

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,  
LIMITED.**  
Authorised Capital ..... £1,000,000  
Subscribed Capital ..... £500,000

**HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.**

**Court of Directors:**  
D. Gillies, Esq.  
H. Stollert, Esq.  
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.

**Chief Manager,**  
**GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.**

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.  
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895. [7]

**THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,  
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.**  
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.  
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... £800,000  
RESERVE FUND ..... £800,000  
RESERVE FUND ..... £2,345,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT  
ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per  
annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.  
" 6 " ..... 3 " "  
" 3 " ..... 2 " "

**T. H. WHITEHEAD,**  
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. [53]

**CARBOLINUM-AVENARIUS**  
USED FOR 20 YEARS.  
With the Finest Success.

Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood  
and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus  
Rot and Dampness.

Sole Agents for China,  
**SCHAELE & Co.**

Hongkong, 15th May, 1896. [181]

## Intimations.

## THE PHARMACY.

TANSAN, TANSAN, TANSAN.

This refreshing and invigorating Table Water contains 8 per cent. more IRON CARBONATE  
than any Water from similar Spas.

Sole Agents for HONGKONG and SOUTH CHINA.

**FRESH DAIRY BUTTER.**  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

The product of the PRINCE OF WALES DAIRY COMPANY, Bombay, India. This BUTTER  
is guaranteed PURE and of THE FINEST QUALITY.

In 2lb, 1lb, and ½lb. TINS. RETAIL PRICE...\$1.40; 60c. and 30c.

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY,  
CENTRAL MARKET.J. TATAM,  
PROPRIETOR.

## Insurances.

**EMPRESS ASSURANCE CORPORATION,  
LIMITED.**  
FIRE AND MARINE.

WE have This Day been appointed  
AGENTS, and are prepared to accept  
RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

**HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.**  
Hongkong, 28th April, 1896. [742]

**THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY.**  
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1884.

CAPITAL ..... £3,000,000  
TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITIES ..... £2,480,053  
NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIUM ..... £757,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the  
above Company we are prepared to  
accept EUROPEAN AND CHINESE RISKS  
at CURRENT RATES.

**HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1896. [970]

**NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.**

THE Underigned AGENTS of the above  
Company are prepared to accept First  
Class FOREIGN AND CHINESE RISKS at  
CURRENT RATES.

**SIEMSEN & Co.**  
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [34]

**GENERAL NOTICE.**  
THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,  
(LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 ..... \$833,333-33-  
EQUAL TO ..... \$312,000-00-00.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**  
LEE SING, Esq. LO YUEN MOON, Esq.  
LOU TAO SHUN, Esq.

**MANAGER—HO AMEL.**

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken  
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the  
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.  
HONGKONG, 10th December, 1894. [49]

**THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,  
LIMITED.**  
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ..... \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept  
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,  
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world  
payable at any of its Agencies.

**CHAU TSEUNG FAT,**  
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,  
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.  
HONGKONG, 26th May, 1894. [247]

## Notice of Firms.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day RESUMED CHARGE  
of the COMPANY'S BUSINESS.

**W. H. RAY,**  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1896. [1137]

**NOTICE.**  
THE Title of this Firm is from This Date  
CHANGED TO SHEWAN, TOMES &  
CO. The Sole Partners are ROBERT  
GORDON SHEWAN and CHARLES  
ALEXANDER TOMES.

**SHEWAN & CO.**  
Hongkong, 1st July, 1896. [1062]

**NOTICE.**  
MR. JOHANN GEORG LUDWIG  
SCHRÖTER and Mr. HERMANN  
FRIEDRICH GEORG BÜRNER have been  
admitted PARTNERS in our FIRM from 1st  
JULY, 1896.

**MEYER & Co., Hongkong.**  
**MEYER, LEMKE & Co., Shanghai.**  
[1068]

**NOTICE.**  
MR. ERNST ALBERT DISCHOFF has  
This Day been Authorized to SIGN our  
FIRM in HONGKONG per Procuration.

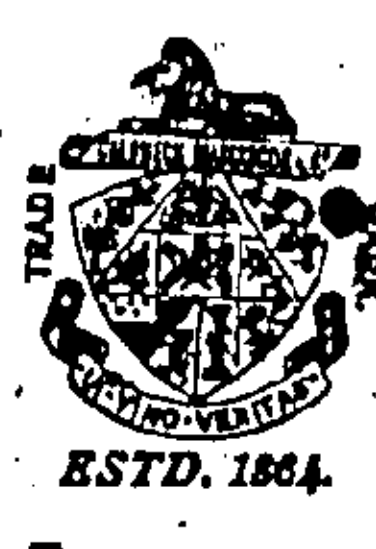
**CARLOWITZ & Co.**  
Hongkong, 2nd July, 1896. [1072]

## Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
JAPAN	Verona	C. H. S. Tacques, R.N.R.	17th July	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the Inland Sea.)
LONDON	Palawan	C. Gadd	About 22nd July	Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI	Mitsuboshi	J. R. Landon, R.N.R.	About 25th July	Freight or Passage.
JAPAN, &c.	Bombay	G. H. C. Weston, R.N.R.	About 30th July	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the Inland Sea.)
LONDON	Standa	E. H. Gordon	About 5th August	Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to  
**H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.**  
Hongkong, 11th July, 1896. [431]



## SCOTCH WHISKIES.

FROM \$7.00 @ \$25.00 PER DOZEN.

**GLENLIVAT.** THE OLD BRIGADE.  
VERY OLD HIGHLAND BLEND. MONARCH OF THE GLEN.  
RARE OLD BLEND. WAYFOOT BLEND.  
EXTRA SPECIAL FINEST LIQUEUR. V. O. S. (Old Matured).  
"RIP" BLEND. FERRINTOSH (Very Fine).

**CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,**  
WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

15, Queen's Road,  
Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [39]

## BILLIARDS

AT H.K. HOTEL.

THREE PRIZES.

## LANE, CRAWFORD &amp; CO.

COCKBURN'S V.O. & E.V.O. SCOTCH WHISKIES.  
TEACHER'S HIGHLAND CREAM.  
AVALA'S CHAMPAGNE.

SACCONE'S HELICON, PALE DRY, MANZANILLA and AMONTILLADO SHERRIES.  
M. B. FOSTER & SONS (Bagle Brand) bottling of BASS'S BEER and GUINNESS'S STOUT.  
CALIFORNIA RED and WHITE WINES.

ADET SEWARD & Co.'s MEDOC, COTES DU BOURG and other CLARETS.  
HENNESSY'S BRANDIES.  
RED HEART RUM. BOORD'S OLD TOM.  
PLYMOUTH GIN. HOBOKEN'S HOLLANDS.  
FRENCH and ITALIAN VERMOUTH.  
The well-known R. S. PORT.

BITTERS, LIQUEURS, SYRUPS, CORDIALS, &c.

**LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.**  
Hongkong, 19th June, 1896. [573]

MOUNT AUSTIN  
HOTEL.

1,400 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Excelsior," HONGKONG.  
No. 35, Coda.  
THE TEMPERATURE IS AT LEAST 10 DEGREES COOLER THAN IN  
QUEEN'S ROAD.

TIFFIN AT 1 P.M. DINNER AT 8 P.M.  
ARRANGEMENTS can be made for TIFFIN or DINNER PARTIES in  
PRIVATE DINING-ROOMS.

For further Particulars apply to  
**THE MANAGER,**  
**MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.**  
Hongkong, 27th July, 1896. [168]

## THE CLUB HOTEL, METROPOLE.

3, BUND, YOKOHAMA. 1, TSURUJI, TOKYO.

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervi-  
sion of European Chefs. Best and most equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT.  
Experienced English system in attendance.

The Hotel stands in a quiet, airy, and healthy position, and is surrounded by every  
convenience given in clothing, baggage, and shipping information. Passengers are met at the  
Railway Station.

VISITORS have the option of dining either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra  
charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER  
on the Premises.

Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.

**THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.**  
**B. V. SIOEN, Manager.** **L. DEWETTE, Manager.**

## Intimations.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN  
AGENCY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG HOTEL—PRAYA.

BELL'S ASBESTOS NON-CONDUCTING BOILER COVERING  
COMPOSITION is acknowledged to be the best in the East.

TESTIMONIALS referring to above may be seen anytime at this Office.

ESTIMATES given for work finished complete.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1896.

W. JACKSON, Manager.

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UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL  
AGENCY, LIMITED.

SOLE AGENTS IN  
HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,  
FOR THE  
**UNITED ASBESTOS COMPANY, LIMITED, LONDON,**  
PIONEERS OF THE ASBESTOS TRADE.  
Contractors to H.M. Government, and the Principal English, Indian, Colonial and Foreign  
Railways, including the Imperial Railways of Japan.

MANUFACTURERS OF  
The Best Qualities of ASBESTOS and RUBBER GOODS for the VERY HIGHEST PRESSURES.  
Cheaper Qualities for LOW PRESSURES.

The "VICTOR" METALLIC PACKING has been adopted by the Lords of the Admiralty  
for use throughout Her Majesty's Navy.

The "VICTOR" METALLIC JOINTING MATERIALS for Steam and Hydraulic Joints,  
Manhole and Mudhole Doors, &c., are also used on every Battleship, Cruiser, Gunboat, Torpedo-  
boat and Transport in H.M. Service.

"SALAMANDER" Non-conducting Composition for Boilers, Hot-water Tanks, Pipes, &c.  
IN TWO QUALITIES.

SPECIAL QUOTATIONS FOR QUANTITIES.  
SUPERINTENDENT.....THOS. SKINNER.  
**DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,**  
General Agents.

[1030]

## W. BREWER &amp; CO.

FAMILIAR QUOTATIONS, BY  
BARTLETT.  
Languages of the Cuneiform Inscriptions, by  
G. Barta.  
Picture Trade in the Far East, by Wakefield.  
Conventional Lies of our Civilization, by  
Noelens.  
Royal Academy Pictures, 5 Parts.  
Brassley's Naval Annual, 1896.

GENT'S BLACK and BROWN BOOTS.  
Gent's Black and Brown Shoes.  
Gent's Tennis Shoes.  
Gent's Patent Shoes.  
Photo Frames.  
Artists Oil and Water Colors.  
Mathematical Instruments.  
Pipes, Cigars, Tobacco.  
Egyptian Enchantress Cigarettes.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [599]

EXPLOSION IMPOSSIBLE.  
IASTRAM'S PATENT  
GOLDEN MEDAL  
PETROLEUM ENGINES

OF 2 TO 12 H.P.  
FOR FACTORIES AND LAUNCHES.  
WORKED BY ORDINARY PETROLEUM.

Consumption of Petroleum 1 lb. per H.P. and Hour.

A Working Stationary Engine and a Launch with a 4 H.P.  
Engines will be shown and full particulars be given on application.

**SCHHEEL & CO., HONGKONG,**  
SOLE AGENTS FOR THE EAST.

47] NO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER REQUIRED.



## FOR SALE.

## G. H. MUMM &amp; Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.

In cases of 2 doz. plants ..... \$13 per case.  
do 1 " quart ..... \$33 "

Hongkong, 25th June, 1895. **SHEWAN & Co.,**  
Agents. [1803]

AMERICAN  
CLARETS.

TRADE MARK: 1 doz. Quarts. 3 doz. Plants.

CALIFORNIA	.....\$4.00	\$4.50
ZINFANDEL	.....\$4.50	\$5.00

YUEN W.O.  
TELEPHONE, No. 133.  
SOLE AGENTS:—

## GANDE PRICE &amp; Co.,

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,  
No. 19, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

## W. POWELL &amp; Co.

EX S.S. "BORNEO".  
NEW LADIES' WHITE  
STRAW HATS,  
FLOWERS, FEATHERS, LACES, &c., &c.

**W. POWELL & Co.**  
Hongkong, 11th July, 1896. [1004]



### Today's Advertisements.

THE HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

#### NOTICE.

NO CAR WILL RUN AFTER 8 P.M. TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the 17th instant. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1116]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

#### NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship "CORINTH" are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns at Wanchai, from whence delivery may be obtained on countersignature of Bills of Lading.

Cargo from Japan ports will be delivered from alongside.

Goods remaining undischarged after the 23rd instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1116]

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"LYEEMOON."

Captain G. Henrichsen, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 17th instant, at 4 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

FOOK CHEONG AH YON & Co., 44, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1103]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.

THE Steamship

"TIENSIN."

Captain Penckath, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 18th instant, 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1091]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAIYUN."

Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 19th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1138]

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"BENLOMONO."

Captain McIntosh, will be despatched as above on or about FRIDAY, the 24th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1139]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"PEKIN."

Captain J. F. Jephson, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 30th July, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. This steamer connects at Bombay with the S.S. *Oriental*, leaving that port on the 31st August for London direct.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London.

Other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1431]

JAVA, CHINA, JAPAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

UNDER MANAGEMENT OF THE ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY OF NETHERLANDS INDIA.

(Subject to Alterations.)

JAVA, HONGKONG, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, AMOY, HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, JAVA.

FROM HONGKONG.

S.S. *Cassius*..... To JAVA..... July.

S.S. *Federatia*..... To JAVA..... August.

### Today's Advertisements.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1,165.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, THIS EVENING, the 16th instant, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1100]

CONTRACT FOR BUILDING A RESERVOIR AT MOUNT PARISH, HONGKONG.

PERSONS desirous of Tendering for the above are requested to deliver their Tenders, Sealed and Marked "TENDER FOR RESERVOIR," not later than 10 A.M. on FRIDAY, the 31st July, 1896, at H.M. Naval Yard, Hongkong, addressed to the COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, H.M. Naval Establishment.

Plan, Specification, and all Particulars can be obtained on application to the ASSISTANT CIVIL ENGINEER, Officer-in-Charge of Admiralty Works.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1137]

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED, VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSRS and other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1896. [1437]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

MANUFACTURERS OF

AERATED WATERS.

OUR AERATED WATER FACTORY is fitted with the best English Machinery, embodying the latest improvements in the trade.

The Purest Ingredients only are used, and the utmost Care and Cleanliness exercised in the Manufacture throughout.

The Water used is proved by repeated Analyses to be Absolutely Pure.

For Coast Ports, Waters are packed and placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and the full amount allowed for Passengers and Emigrants when received in good order.

Counterfeit Order Books supplied on application.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is "DISPENSARY, HONGKONG."

And all signed messages addressed thus will receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept ready in Stock:

PURE AERATED WATER,

SODA WATER,

LEMONADE,

POTASH WATER,

SELTZER WATER,

LITHIA WATER,

SARSAPARILLA WATER,

TONIC WATER,

GINGER ALE,

GINGERADE.

No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of containing Aerated Waters, as such Bottles are never used again by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1896. [1438]

#### BIRTHS.

At Swallow, on the 7th July, the wife of J. GLASSBY, Imperial Maritime Customs, of a son. On the 10th June, at Bussom, Holland, the wife of J. G. BERKHOUTSEN, of Sandakan, of a son.

At Kaituma, on the 2nd July, the wife of J. H. GUBBINS, of a son.

#### DEATH.

At the General Hospital, Penang, on the 7th July, ELIZABETH D'SOUSA (née CORNELIUS), widow of the late Justitia D'SOUSA, aged 55 years.

At Kaituma, on the 2nd July, the wife of J. H. GUBBINS, of a son.

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A WELL-INFORMED Washington correspondent writes:—"McKinley's election as safe as a church. Bet your last dollar on him and he will pull you out on top."—Very kind, but why not bet on the Republicans making a mess of things generally if they get their man in?

THE *Times* says, apropos of the McKinley nomination, that "a high tariff would undoubtedly injure British trade, but Britons can take comfort in the thought that nothing the United States could do would expose their commercial interests to a great danger as would free trade in America."

GOOD NEWS! The American mail brought news to-day that the International Telegraph Convention sitting at Buda-Pesth on the 10th ultimo decided, after considering the resolutions of the New York, Far Eastern, and other Chambers of Commerce, that the official Vocabulary shall not be made compulsory.—This was so very unpleasant that it is not likely to be repeated.

ABOUT RATS! Rats of one sort and another play a large part in the world's affairs. There are autocrats, like our friend, Nicholas II.; there are aristocrats, foreign and domestic; the Democrats both gold and silver; the plutocrats, always for "sound money"; and, finally, there are the plain rats, the ordinary kind, which are just made to be caught by terrier and cat.

THE *Cologne Gazette* recently devoted a long leader to the declaration that Russia within a few years has ousted England from her virtual protectorate over Turkey, and in the domination of foreign policy, has taken the lead in China over England and is menacing from an unassailable position of vantage the Anglo-Indian empire.

THE *Kreuz Zeitung* says that the time is drawing near when the Franco-Russian coalition will bring the long-prepared policy against England to a climax, and that Germany must stand aloof, watching her own interests. Germans, the paper says, may not desire to see England driven from the positions she has long held in Asia and Africa, yet England crippled implies that the chief opponent of German colonial expansion is weakened.—Why can't the *Kreuz Zeitung* tell us something we don't know—something that hasn't been dreamed into our ears ever since we left the nursery?

THE conference of the United Empire Trade League opened in London on the 15th ultimo, with Rt. Hon. James Lowther, formerly Under Secretary for the Colonies and Chief Secretary for Ireland, in the chair. The meeting was called to discuss means to consummate a commercial federation of the Empire. Sir Donald Smith, of Montreal, said a Zollverein is at present impossible, and suggested that the duties imposed upon tea, coffee and cocoa from the colonies be reduced one-half, and he moved that the Government abrogate as speedily as possible Article 15 of the treaty of 1865 with Belgium, and Article 7 of the treaty of 1865 with the German Zollverein, which, while in force, prevent the colonies from preferring British over foreign goods.

Sir Donald Smith's motion, coupled with another calling for the early summoning of an Imperial commercial conference, was adopted.

PLAQUE CHARACTERISTICS IN CHINA. In his trade report from Mengtze for 1895, Mr. F. A. Carl, Customs Commissioner, writes:—"At May and June went by without any cases (of plague) appearing we were in hopes that Measles would escape the usual visitation. The season up to July had been very dry, but the first few days of that month were wet, and shortly afterwards the plague began with its wonted virulence. The disease was prevalent and fatal during July and August, and remained till towards the end of September. Various estimates of the number of victims are given, from 800 to 1,500. The neighbouring towns suffered severely, the mortality even raging in Lolo villages considerably over 6,000 feet above the sea-level. At the commencement of the epidemic the Chinese thought it would disappear with the arrival of the autumn (8th August), but the disease prevailed till it had run its course, which requires about three months' time, as shown by the records kept since the establishment of the Mengtze Customs in 1889."

On the 16th ultimo the Emperor of Germany granted an imposing audience to Li Hung-chang in the Knights' Hall of the old castle, Berlin. Li was conveyed thither in the royal carriage, escorted by Prussian Uhlanen. Emperor William and Empress Augusta were seated on their thrones, surrounded by royal princes, Chancellor von Holnstein and Freiherr Marschall von Biebertal, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, were also present. Li Hung-chang bowed low on approaching the throne and presented his credentials, at the same time delivering an address expressing his admiration of Germany.

He dwelt upon the fact that the relations between Germany and China were more friendly than those with other powers. He also thanked the Emperor for Germany's aid regarding the retrocession to China by Japan of the Liaotung peninsula. He referred to Germany as the first nation of the world, and hoped for a lasting friendship between Germany and China.

Emperor William replied with a cordial welcome and sincerely reciprocated the friendly sentiments with an earnest hope that the friendship between the two nations would develop. He begged Li Hung-chang to thank the Emperor of China for sending him to Germany as an envoy and to convey his best wishes for the welfare and prosperity of the Chinese empire.

MEMORANDA.

TO-MORROW.—16th July.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Perseverance Lodge.

TO-MORROW.—17th July.

10 a.m.—Summary Court.

SATURDAY.—18th July.

French mail due.

The Transfer Books of the H.K. & C. and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 31st inst. inclusive.

5 p.m.—By kind permission of Major Retzlaff and Officers, the Band of the Hongkong Regiment will play in the Public Gardens.

SUNDAY.—19th July.

Tacoma mail due.

Daylight.—Brands Hatch, Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma, W. Va. and Yokohama.

The other day at Singapore a thief showed his contempt of the law by robbing the "boy" of the Chief Justice of his clothes



clean out—on strike! What do you think of that? John Smith, a civil servant, has been getting on nicely, as the old lady said when she found her well-to-do son and his wife had sufficient strength to pull the table-cloth off the table and thereby cause the total destruction of her very last China tea service. The cause of the strike is to be found in the fact of the Rikhsa Farmer imposing fresh rules on the sickle and, to put it in a nutshell, squeezing them. John objects, has "gone out," and the Farmer, poor old chap, loses \$100 a day. The strikers are very orderly, and as they have saved up a nice little sum, they are able to eat and sleep well; but about town in their best clothes, have a look at the "sing-song house," and "take off" the well-to-do Chinese and foreigners by saying to them as they walk along the Prays—"Lickshore, master?" "Wanchee Lickshore?"

LATER.  
Just a line to say that a few hours after my last letter was posted I ascertained the strike had come to an end in favour of the cooler, who will continue to carry on their business "all the same before."

#### NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The Occidental and Oriental Co.'s steamship *Coplin*, Capt. S. Selby, R.N.R., from San Francisco, via Honolulu, Yokohama and Nagasaki, with the American mails up to 20th June, arrived at harbour this afternoon. We are indebted to our San Francisco exchanges for the subjoined interesting telegrams:—

CAPE TOWN, June 19th.  
The Secretary of State for the Transvaal has telegraphed the British High Commissioner here that, having in view the welfare and peace of South Africa, the Transvaal Government is convinced that proofs in its possession, which are at the disposal of Great Britain, now completely justify and compel the British Government to accept the Transvaal as a free State, and to connect with the said in the Transvaal. The Secretary adds that the Transvaal Government is obliged to press this step on Great Britain, and also that all control of the British Chartered South Africa Company be transferred to Great Britain.

LONDON, June 19th.  
Telegrams received from Bulawayo indicate that the Mashonas have joined the Matabele rising and the situation is much more grave. There are numerous cases of isolated settlers being massacred. The people around Saney and Fort Charter have been ordered to take to the hills. The whole Mase district is full of rebels. A dispatch to the *Chronicle* from Bulawayo says the situation is so serious that the Cape Mounted Infantry has been ordered to Mashonaland and the Imperial troops have been ordered up from Mafeking.

NEW YORK, June 19th.  
Colonel Henry Beecher, son of the late Henry Ward Beecher, to-day was acquitted of the charge of forgery by a jury and exonerated from the accusation of having signed the name of the President of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad to fictitious applications for insurance. The nephew of Mr. Beecher kissed the hand of each juror.

VANCOUVER (B.C.), June 16th.  
Robert N. Johnston of this city, the Canadian amateur champion carman, has issued a challenge to the winner of the Duplex-McCouland race, to be contested in San Francisco on July 4, to row him for the championship of the Pacific Coast, the race to take place not later than the first week in August.

DOANE FERRY (N.Y.), June 19th.  
Because Robert G. Ingersoll is reported to be an infidel the committee on membership of the new Audley Casino Association has rejected him as a member. The Casino is the finest and richest club in America. One of the members intimated that Mr. Ingersoll's name had been dropped from the proposed membership list on account of his disbelief in Christianity. The women especially objected to him.

BREXIT, June 19th.  
Goodbolt, who survived the disaster to the *Drummond Castle*, was the quartermaster of the ship. He said: "A few minutes before the shock a drizzling rain commenced to fall and the atmosphere was foggy. The sea was not rough, but there was a long swell. No lights were visible. The children on the ship had gone to bed, but a number of passengers were on deck. The vessel was going at fourteen knots an hour, when suddenly, with absolutely no warning, there was a terrible crash."

"The captain, who was on the bridge with the third officer, when the disaster came, immediately ordered all hands to the boats. All the passengers rushed on deck, many only half clad and all panic-stricken."

"The steamer now listed so heavily that, although the crew behaved admirably and took up their stations for their work, it was impossible to do anything. There were heartrending cries from those on board when they realized that they were doomed."

"The *Drummond Castle* sank beneath our feet, with all on board, in about two minutes after the disaster. I then saw the other survivor, Wood, clinging to a small spar. We joined our efforts in collecting other spare planks and thus made a sort of rough raft. On this we were buffeted about until morning, when we sighted a fishing boat not far from us. I waved my cap, which was seen, and we were soon picked up."

Wood said he was in the fore-cabin when he felt the crash, and he was just in time to get to his post at one of the lifeboats. He said that thirty-one bodies have thus far been picked up.

The French Admiralty officials who have been examining the scene of the wreck of the *Drummond Castle* express the belief that she was broken up by the explosion of her boilers after she began to founder. The French Government has sent M. Bertillon, the specialist, to measure the dead for the purpose of identification.

GOOSEBAY (British Columbia), June 19th.  
One hundred aborigines were coming a road from the Barima to the Cayal river, when they were stopped by armed Venezuelans. Orders have been sent from Georgetown to the British officers not to offer resistance to the Venezuelans, but to withdraw under protest.

LONDON, June 19th.  
The Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Hon. George N. Curzon, answering a question in the House of Commons to-day regarding the Venezuelan situation, said that the British Ambassador at Washington, Sir Julian Pauncefote, was authorized to receive and report upon proposals made by the Venezuelan representative at Washington. The latter, Curzon continued, had been informed of this, but up to the present had not made any proposal, and negotiations were pending with the United States both in regard to a definite frontier and the arbitration of the frontier question with Venezuela under proper conditions of fairness. The latter question, he further stated, does not offer obstacle to the conclusion of the general arrangement with respect to arbitration, which the Government hoped to see concluded.

The Berlin correspondent of the *Times* says there appears to be a disposition on the part of the German press to take up the Samoa question in view of the retirement of Governor Schmidt. According to the *Kölnische Zeitung*, Captain Brandt, now in the Colonial Office, will be the German nominee in Samoa.

circles, however, his fitness for the place is doubted. Owing to his having formerly been overruled to Sir King Tamarac's selection might cause friction. The German press, which has frequently criticized Chief Justice Ida, now urges that a Judge of another nationality should be appointed if only for the reason that the result of the Presidential election may modify the attitude of the United States toward Samoa.

TORONTO, June 19th.  
J. B. Roberson, a Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, dropped dead while on the platform at the Massey Music Hall to-night while in attendance on a political meeting presided over by Sir Charles Tupper. Mr. Roberson was 76 years of age.

LONDON, June 19th.  
Charley Mitchell wants to make another attempt to wrest Jim Corbett's pugilistic laurels from the American grasp, and claims to believe he can reverse the verdict given at Jacksonville. He substantiates this assertion credibly in himself by stating that he has £2,000 worth of insurance on himself. The Bellinghame Club offers £2,400 for a go, and it is said the proposition has been laid before Corbett in a letter.

Bob Fitzsimmons, it is learned, has received the offer from the National Sporting Club of a £50 bonus if he will sign to fight Corbett for a purse of £1,000. The holder of the championship, however, positively refuses to make the match, persisting in reiterating his "ultimatum," which demands that Corbett "go and make a record." This statement is not received with much applause by those who hear it, and the demand is growing that Fitz take on Corbett or announce his willingness to fight.

Manager Brady's presence in England is evidently not pacifying to the Cornishman. Fitz apparently realizes that the moment he gives an earnest in the shape of a wish to support his claims that he can defeat Corbett, the wily little manager will cancel his deposit in record time. In the meantime, while without a match in progress, Fitz and his manager are not doing a land office business in the matter of engagements.

By the way, Bob has forgotten to let about his American citizenship, and now brings forth his claim to being a British subject by right of birth. He even threatens to settle here, but the fact has not caused national rejoicing. The natives would find room for him if he whelp Corbett for their delinquency, and inhuman as much in their sporting talk.

A *Times* dispatch from Rome says it is believed in well-informed circles here that Mr. B. Lorenzelli, internuncio at the Hague, will be appointed apostolic delegate to the United States to succeed Cardinal Satolli, but this is not finally settled.

MADRID, June 19th.  
I am informed on the best authority that at yesterday's Cabinet council the Government decided to propose to the Cortes to purchase two ironclads, one from the Argentine Republic and the other from the Italian Government. Both ships are at present in a shipyard at Genoa. The former is finished, and can be got ready for sea in fifteen days; the latter requires three or four months' more work. The price asked is \$1,000,000 each. The consent of the Cortes is said to be certain.

LONDON, June 19th.  
In its issue this morning the *Daily News* congratulates the Republicans of the United States if not on their candidate at least on their refusal to have anything to do with mischievous currency decisions.

The *Chronicle* says: "Nothing has been heard in this country of Mr. McKimley's personal character, except that it is honourable."

The *Standard* says McKimley is neither distinguished, learned, nor wise. It is a victory of the common-sense. Senator Teller was right when he said that the gold standard and protection could not exist together in the United States. If hard and fast protectionism was to follow a debased currency is almost certain to follow. The foreign policy is to be truceless and less. England must not assert her rights, but must be thankful for what the Great Republic condescends to give her. It is a reactionary platform in most respects. The moral level of party politics has fallen so low that men of the stamp of McKimley are about the best procurable. They are fully as good as the Nation deserves."

The *Daily News* claims to have authority to state in connection with the latest reports regarding the trouble about the Venezuelan-Guiana boundary dispute that the Venezuelan troops were near the junction of the Acarabai Creek with the Cuyul River. They observed a number of British officials engaged in surveying a route toward Barima. Believing that the British were encroaching on Venezuelan territory, the officer in command of the troops asked the surveyors to turn back. The officials, acting in accordance with their instructions, declined to do so, and proceeded with their surveying. They referred the matter to the British Consular agent. The protests were peaceful and there was no collision.

BUDA-PESTH, HUNGARY, June 19th.  
The International Telegraph Convention which has taken up the question of the compulsory use of the official vocabulary for code messages. The resolutions of the New York Chamber of Commerce and other bodies opposing the vocabulary were duly presented by the representatives of the Commercial Cable Company, and the convention this morning decided that the vocabulary shall not be made compulsory and all future action was indefinitely postponed.

LIVERPOOL, June 19th.  
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On June 7th, 1894, Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador at Washington, transmitted a complete list and summary of the British claims, amounting to \$42,165, suggesting at the same time that each country should appoint a duly qualified commissioner to examine into the same.

a lump sum in full satisfaction of all demands," and he proposed the sum of \$125,000, subject, of course, to the action of Congress in the matter of appropriating that amount. Sir Julian Pauncefote, at once accepted the compromise suggested.

President Cleveland, it will be remembered, in his message to Congress in December, 1893, recommended the payment of the claim of \$125,000, and on February 22nd, 1894, an amendment providing for the same was offered to the general deficiency appropriation bill by the Committee on Appropriations. This amendment passed in committee of the whole House by a vote of 91 to 86. The opponents of the amendment, however, immediately brought it up in the House, where it was rejected.

The objections were based mainly upon the doubtful nationality of the claimants, a majority being alleged to be American subjects. The President, in his message to Congress, declared that the claims of the Canadian sealers had been subjected by both Governments to a thorough examination upon the principles as well as on the facts involved. The question of privilege at issue was whether consequential as well as actual damages should be made good to the Canadian claimants. The question of fact was whether all of the claimants were bona fide subjects of Great Britain and bona fide owners of the vessels seized or ordered away from the seal fisheries.

It appears that more than one-half the damages for which indemnification is demanded were of the consequential kind, that is, consisting of constructive losses, the shape of seals that were taken or might have been taken had not the vessels been refused to keep out of Behring Sea.

Now, as the Paris Tribunal wished to rule that consequential damages must be made good as well as actual, the question of consequential damages had to be determined according to precedent; and the most authoritative precedent was set by the Alabama Tribunal at Geneva in 1871, which ruled out the consideration of consequential and consequential damages.

With regard to questions of the *bona fide* ownership of ten out of the eighteen sealing vessels concerned in the demand for damages belonged not to British subjects but to American citizens—the firm of Warren & Borwick of San Francisco, who made a fictitious transfer of their property to a British subject, one Cooper, a blacksmith.

For these reasons Congress has down to the present time declined to vote the payment of the \$125,000 to Great Britain, and it is believed that after throwing out claims for consequential damages and claims made on behalf of American citizens, the indemnity payable will not exceed \$34,000.

#### JAPAN TIDAL WAVE RELIEF FUND.

Mr. Jackson begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the above Fund:—  
Subscriptions already acknowledged ..... \$3,295  
Since received:—  
Chan A Tong ..... \$50  
Commodore and Officers, H.M.S. *Victor* ..... 40  
Emanuel ..... 40  
Dr. G. H. Bateson-Wright ..... 10  
\$3,395

#### JAPANESE SHIPPING AFFAIRS.

Yokohama, July 6th.  
We have already mentioned that it is in contemplation to open regular services to Australia and Bombay, two out of four special routes remaining to be subsidized. With reference to the Vladivostok and Koriakoff services, an advertisement has appeared in the *Official Gazette* inviting contracts, but as the remaining two, namely, Bombay and Australia, demand arrangements of greater magnitude—arrangements that the Yusen Kaisha alone is capable of undertaking—overtures have already been made to that company by the Department of Communications, and the matter is now in process of negotiation. It is expected that an understanding will easily be arrived at, inasmuch as the Yusen Kaisha has been carrying on a service to Bombay for some time, and its already planned programme includes the establishment of a service to Australia. The subsidies to be granted for those two services are said to be as follows:—

For the latter half of the year 1895-96	Subsidy per annum	Subsidy per annum
Australia .....	175,109.03	330,218.07
Bombay .....	99,142.65	198,285.39
The total of subsidies and bounties to be received by the Yusen Kaisha is estimated at above 5 million yen, of which about 14 millions fall under the head of subsidies and over 33 millions under that of bounties, as shown below:—		

Route.	No. of Vessels.	Subsidy.	Bounty.
Existing foreign or domestic routes, with or without the government, and extraordinary do.	12	18,000,000	18,000,000
Manila .....	1	10,000,000	10,000,000
Hongkong & Vladivostok .....	11	10,000,000	10,000,000
Bombay .....	1	10,000,000	10,000,000
Bombay special service .....	4	4,000,000	4,000,000
Australia .....	1	14,000,000	14,000,000
Foreign Service via Brazil .....	1	10,000,000	10,000,000
Total .....			100,000,000

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#### THE SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon. Mr. F. A. Cooper (Director of Public Works) presided, and there were also present Mr. H. B. Letbridge (Acting Captain Superintendent of Police), Dr. F. H. Clark (Medical Officer of Health), Mr. N. J. Ede, and Mr. Hugh McCallum (Secretary).

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

BYRONIC FLAQUE AT AMOY.  
The following letter was laid on the table:—  
H.B.M.'s Consulate,  
Amoy, 24th June, 1896.

Sir,—I have the honour to inform you that this morning the Post Doctor notified me that there is a marked decrease in the prevalence of Bubonic Plague in this port, but that there are still a few cases.

I have, etc.,  
(Signed) H. KING,  
Assistant in Charge.

To the Hon. Colonial Secretary, Hongkong.

CHOLERA AT SINGAPORE.  
The Colonial Secretary of Singapore reported that during the week ending noon of the 16th June there were five deaths from cholera at that port. The report for the week ending June 15th showed the epidemic to be decreasing, there being again only five deaths.

THE WIDOW'S GRATUITY.  
The following letter from the Colonial Secretary was read:—  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 29th June, 1896.

Sir,—With reference to my letter No. 893 of the 18th inst., I am directed to inform you that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to reconsider the case of the widow of the late Shan Tin-yau, and to grant her a gratuity of one hundred dollars, which sum the Treasurer has been authorized to pay to you on her behalf.

I have, etc.,  
(Signed) J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary.

To the Secretary, Sanitary Board.

MR. LADD'S LEAVE.  
The application of Mr. Ladd, Veterinary Surgeon, for three months' additional extension of leave, as he is anxious to complete a course of study of bacteriology before returning to the Colony, and a minute granting it, was laid on the table.

There was no discussion, as the papers were merely for the information of the Board.

RETROSPECTIVE BY-LAWS.  
The following letter from the Colonial Secretary, with interesting minutes attached, was laid on the table:—  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 30th June.

Sir,—In reply to your letter No. 100 of the 23rd inst., I am directed to inform you that the Government is advised that Sanitary By-law No. 5 has no retrospective operation, and that there is no power as Ordinance No. 13 of 1894 now stands to substitute any by-law for By-law No. 5 which could legally have a retrospective operation.

2.—Further I am to point out that it would appear from the letters of the Permanent Committee and Housing Committee to the Colonial Secretary, dated respectively 29th June, 1894, and 18th August, 1894, that it was not intended that the new provisions with regard to backyards should apply to already existing houses, and I am to add that it would be necessary for the Board to make out a very strong case before the Government would feel justified in passing any law interfering retrospectively with backyards long since built over.

3.—With regard to the question upon whom lies the onus of proof of the date of erection of obstructions in backyards, I am to state that His Excellency is advised that it is not possible to give any general opinion, because the circumstances of different cases vary widely.

4.—In conclusion, I am to inform you that in all cases of any doubt or difficulty, the Board should ask for the assistance of the law officers of the Crown.

I am, etc.,  
(Signed) J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,  
Colonial Secretary.

The Secretary, Sanitary Board.

In submitting this letter to the President, the Secretary submitted a copy of the letter referred to in the second paragraph of this letter ought to be in this office, but unfortunately they are not. Had the regular course been followed in the somewhat extensive correspondence which I understand passed between the Colonial Secretary and the so-called Permanent Committee, then the non-existence of copies of the letters in question would lie on the officer who was at the time performing the duties of Secretary to the Board. But, as the Board either acquiesced, or approved of the position which the Committee adopted, the question of the existence of communicating direct with the Colonial Secretary, and as the Colonial Secretary appears to have carried on a correspondence with them, the fact that a copy of the correspondence does not exist in this office cannot be laid at the door either of the Acting Secretary or myself. However, the practical point now at issue is to get the letters referred to, and I attach a draft of a letter requesting the Colonial Secretary to supply them.

In response to the request of the Secretary, printed copies of the correspondence asked for were sent and attached to the letter.

The Secretary then minutes:—Letters asked for have been sent and are attached hereto. I have read them carefully, and I must say that I fail to find anything approaching a clear statement by either of the Committees that the ordinances they recommended to be passed should not apply to existing houses as far as the obstruction of backyards is concerned. On the contrary the cry is loud "the existing houses be lighted and ventilated as far as it is practicable."

In the letter of the Housing Committee dated 25th July it is clearly and distinctly stated that no backyard should be roofed in, and that their recommendations are confined to existing houses. In the letter of the so-called Permanent Committee there is a paragraph which states that in existing houses there can be no remedy but the right of view and search of every Chinese house with a view of enforcing cleanliness and the law as regards backyards, existing houses. Does the "etc." not include the law relating to backyards? The "etc." seems to me to be so likely to mean that as the phrase "no remedy" should mean they are to be excluded. Be that as it may, the practical points at issue are—

1. Has the present law on the subject of backyards a retrospective action? His Excellency has been advised that it has not.

2. Is it necessary that the law should be made retrospective? If the public health of the Colony is of the importance it is held to be, then there is only one answer, and that is it is absolutely necessary.

There is, of course, an alternative, but it is clumsy, slow, and full of litigation. It is for the Medical Officer of Health to decide whether houses that have enclosed yards so as to prevent the doors from being adequately lighted and ventilated are fit for human habitation. If not, they will have to be closed off such time as they are fit for human habitation.

Dr. Clark minutes this correspondence under the report of the Permanent Committee under

date of June 20th, 1894, deals apparently only with certain scheduled houses; that under date of August 23rd, 1894, deals with houses built subsequently to that date. I cannot understand, therefore, why these reports should have been quoted in support of the statement that the provisions with regard to backyards were not intended by the Permanent Committee to apply to existing houses, while the mention is made of the Committee Report of July 28th, 1894, which distinctly states that it relates to the *sanitary improvement of existing houses*, and in the last clause of par. 6 says that "the Committee are of opinion that in no case should a backyard be roofed in either wholly or in part."

Evidently, therefore, it was intended, at least by the Permanent Committee, if not by the framers of the ordinance, that the new provisions with regard to backyards should apply to already existing houses.

As to my action in directing prosecutions under this by-law without first consulting the law officers of the Crown, I can only say that I have hitherto been successful (happily, as it now appears) to regard a series of convictions obtained before a Sanitary Magistrate, under any ordinance or by-law, as, in some measure, confirming the legality of the proceedings, and as such a series of convictions had been obtained in this Colony under by-law 5, made under section 13 of Ordinance 15 of 1894, prior to my arrival in the Colony, I felt justified in concluding that the question of retrospective action had been considered by the Court and that no prosecution under this by-law was legal, whether the obstruction had been erected prior or subsequent to the approval of the said by-law by the Legislative Council.

It is true that Messrs Leigh and Orange have replied to some of the notices recently issued that "we are informed that you have no legal right to issue any such notices," but as Messrs Leigh and Orange gave us no legal authority for their information or opinion, nor in fact any clue as to the grounds of the alleged illegality of our notices, I did not consider it necessary to ask that the matter be referred to the law officers of the Crown, until Messrs Leigh and Orange had proved the correctness of their contention by securing the reversal of the decision hitherto obtained in the Police Court.

In view of this decision and its confirmation by the law officers of the Crown, I would strongly advise the Sanitary Board to urge upon the Government the necessity for so amending the present law as to enable the Board to enforce the provisions of adequate ventilation of domestic buildings, by the opening out of all backyards, whether used as kitchens or not.

In a postscript, Dr. Clark says there are 800 houses in the western district needing alteration, and that he is convinced that in no way except by opening them out can they be made even reasonably habitable.

Mr. Cooper minutes that he considered that the correspondence attached clearly referred to existing houses.

The President said:—Gentlemen, in reply to the Colonial Secretary's letter, I propose that a copy of the minutes on this paper be sent to the Colonial Secretary for the information of the Governor, and also that a letter be written asking the attention of the Government to the recommendations of the Medical Officer of Health.

Mr. Edes seconded, and this course was agreed to.

MORTALITY RETURNS.

The mortality returns for the week ending 20th June showed the death rate to be 11.3 against 20 the same week last year. There were only nine deaths from plague. For the week ending 27th June the rate was 16.9 against 24.4, with 20 deaths from plague. July 4th the rate was 13.8 against 24.4, with six plague deaths, and ending July 11th, 19.5 against 20.4, with 17 deaths from plague.

WEIGHING SWINE.

Several swine-dealers petitioned against having to use the platform scales at the depot as they preferred the old fashioned hand scales.

The Secretary and Dr. Clark recommended that the prayer be refused as frivolous.

This was done.

THE FOOD AND DRUGS ORDINANCE.

The Colonial Secretary forwarded the proposed Ordinance relating to the Adulteration of Food and Drugs, for the consideration of the Board. This was read clause by clause, and a few suggestions made for amendments.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Board adjourned for a fortnight.

HIS LATEST SCORE.

AM IMAGINARY CONVERSATION.

Oom Paul (to Oom Sallabury): "Read my speech to the High Assembly? It's quite one of the best things I've done."

Oom Sallabury (reads till he comes to the passage "Proposals dealing with Education and measures affecting Agriculture are being prepared," then pauses): "What? What?"

Oom Paul: "I thought you'd like that." (Dr. Clark grunts, sounds indicating intense interest.) "I got that straight from you, Leyds told me all about it, just in time."

Oom Sallabury (affecting not to understand): "I don't quite grasp your meaning."

Oom Paul (producing copy of Queen's Speech, Education Bill, and Agricultural Rating Bill): "Leyds brought me over copies of these. I like them all; but that Agricultural Rating Bill is splendid."

Oom Sallabury: "I am immensely flattered that your Honour should like so."

Oom Paul: "That Bill's going to be my Bill. Leyds told me to have a trained, and then I'm going to introduce it into the High Assembly."

Oom Sallabury: "I have an immense sympathy with landowners in all parts of the globe."

Oom Paul: "That has always been my view. My sympathy with the landed class has, I think I may say, never been concealed. Now, what I say to myself is this: My loyal Boers are depressed, grievously depressed, just as you say your English landowners are depressed. My Boers are faithful to me, just as your landowners are faithful to you. I say I will reward my faithful Boers, just as you reward your faithful landowners."

Oom Sallabury (growing a little uneasy): "I don't quite follow."

Oom Paul: "I will explain. My faithful Boers still have to pay some taxes, like your English landowners, and when I ask them 'How can I reward you? They answer me there is nothing left to tax me to much as a trained, and then I'm going to introduce it into the High Assembly.'"

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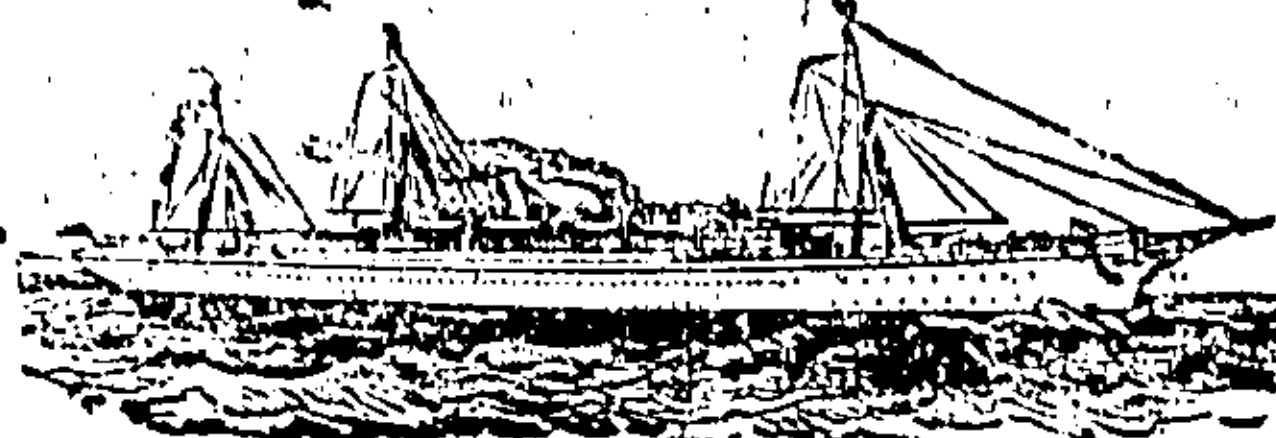
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Bayern..... Tuesday... 15th Sept.Prinz Hildrich..... Tuesday... 13th Oct.  
Fremont..... Tuesday... 10th Nov.  
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Bismarck..... 1,501 | Sunday... | Aug. 10.  
Tacoma..... 1,419 | Thursday... | Sept. 3.  
Victoria..... 1,367 | Monday... | Sept. 21.  
Olympia..... 1,608 | Friday..... | Oct. 9.  
Columbia..... 1,367 | Tuesday... | Oct. 27.

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Captain Tredwell, sailing at Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 29th July, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash., via SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to  
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